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COMMISSIONERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF WATER UTILITY OF GREATER BUCKEYE FOR AN EXTENSION OF ITS EXISTING CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY.

DOCKET NO. W-02451A-06-0792

PROCEDURAL ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

On December 18, 2006, Water Utility of Greater Buckeye ("WUGB" or "Applicant") filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application for an extension of its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("Certificate" or "CC&N") to provide water utility service to a development known as Montana Vista, located in Maricopa County, Arizona.

On December 21, 2006, WUGB filed Supplemental Exhibits to its application.

On January 6, 2007, the Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") filed an Insufficiency Letter in this docket.

On January 19, 2007, WUGB filed an updated legal description.

On March 19, 2007, WUGB filed its Response to Staff's Insufficiency Letter.

On April 5, 2007, Staff filed its second Insufficiency Letter.

On June 4, 2007, WUGB filed its Response to Staff's second Insufficiency Letter.

On July 3, 2007, Staff filed a Sufficiency Letter in this docket indicating WUGB's application had met the sufficiency requirements as outlined in the Arizona Administrative Code ("A.A.C.").

Pursuant to A.A.C. R14-3-101, the Commission now issues this Procedural Order to govern the preparation and conduct of this proceeding.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the hearing in the above-captioned matter shall be held on October 25, 2007, at 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as is practical, at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **intervention** shall be in accordance with A.A.C. R14-3-105, except that all Motions to Intervene must be filed on or before **October 9, 2007**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that objections to any Motions to Intervene must be filed no later than October 19, 2007.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that WUGB shall provide public notice of the hearing in this matter, in the following form and style, with the heading no less than 10 point bold type and the body no less than 10 point regular type:

PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE HEARING ON THE APPLICATION OF WATER UTILITY OF GREATER BUCKEYE FOR AN EXTENSION OF ITS CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY (Docket No. W-02451A-06-0792)

On December 18, 2006, Water Utility of Greater Buckeye ("WUGB" or "Applicant") filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application for an extension of its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("Certificate") to provide water utility service to a development known as Montana Vista, located in Maricopa County, Arizona. The Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") has not yet made a recommendation regarding WUGB's application, and the Commission is not bound by the proposals made by WUGB, Staff, or any intervenors. The Commission will issue a decision regarding WUGB's application following consideration of testimony and evidence presented at an evidentiary hearing. Copies of the application are available at WUGB's offices [insert address] and the Commission's offices at 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona, for public inspection during regular business hours and on the internet via the Commission website (www.azcc.gov) using the e-docket function.

The Commission will hold a hearing on this matter beginning October 25, 2007, at 10:00 a.m., at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona. Public comments will be taken on the first day of the hearing. Written public comments may be submitted via email (visit http://www.azcc.gov/utility/cons/index.htm for instructions), or by mailing a letter referencing Docket Number W-02451A-06-0792 to: Arizona Corporation Commission, Consumer Services Section, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

The law provides for an open public hearing at which, under appropriate circumstances, interested parties may intervene. Any person or entity entitled by law to intervene and having a direct and substantial interest in the matter will be permitted to intervene. If you would like to intervene, you must file a written motion to intervene with the Commission, and you must send copies of the motion to the Company or its counsel, and to all parties of record in the case. Your motion to intervene must contain the following:

- 1. Your name, address, and telephone number, and the name, address, and telephone number of any party upon whom documents are to be served in your place, if desired.
- 2. A short statement of your interest in the proceeding (e.g., a customer of the Company, a shareholder of the Company, etc.).

3. A statement certifying that a copy of your motion to intervene has been mailed to the Company or its counsel and to all parties of record in the case.

The granting of motions to intervene shall be governed by A.A.C. R14-3-105, except that <u>all motions to intervene must be filed on or before **October 9, 2007**. The granting of intervention, among other things, entitles a party to present sworn evidence at hearing and to cross-examine other witnesses. <u>However, failure to intervene will not preclude any person or entity from appearing at the hearing and making a statement on their own behalf.</u></u>

If you have any questions about this application, you may contact WUGB at [insert telephone number]. If you wish to file written comments on the application or want further information on intervention you may contact the Consumer Services Section of the Commission at 1200 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85007, or call 1-800-222-7000.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to its public meetings. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter, as well as request this document in an alternative format, by contacting the ADA Coordinator Linda Hogan, E-mail Lhogan@azcc.gov, voice phone number 602/542-3931. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Applicant shall mail to each property owner or property owner representative in the requested extension area a copy of the above notice and shall cause the above notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in its service territory, with publication and mailing to be completed no later than September 21, 2007.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Applicant shall file certification of mailing and publication as soon as practicable after the mailing/publication has been completed, but not later than October 9, 2007.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notice shall be deemed complete upon mailing and publication of same, notwithstanding the failure of an individual property owner to read or receive the notice.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Staff shall file a Staff Report on or before September 24, 2007.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any objections to the Staff Report shall be filed on or before October 9, 2007.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Ex Parte Rule (A.A.C. R14-3-113-Unauthorized Communications) continues to apply to this proceeding as the matter is set for public hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all parties must comply with Rule 33(c) and 38(a) of the 1 Rules of the Arizona Supreme Court with respect to practice of law and admission pro hac vice. 2 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that withdrawal of representation must be made in compliance 3 with A.A.C. R14-3-104(E) and Rule 1.16 of the Rules of Professional Conduct (under Rule 42 of the 4 Rules of Arizona Supreme Court). Representation before the Commission includes the obligation to 5 appear at all hearings and procedural conferences, as well as all Open Meetings for which the matter 6 is scheduled for discussion, unless counsel has previously been granted permission to withdraw by 7 the Administrative Law Judge or the Commission. 8 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Administrative Law Judge may rescind, alter, amend, 9 or waive any portion of this Procedural Order either by subsequent Procedural Order or by ruling at 10 hearing. 11 Dated this O day of September, 2007 12 13 14 15 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE 16 17 Copies of the foregoing mailed/delivered this 5th day of September, 2007 to: 18 Michael W. Patten 19 ARIZONA REPORTING SERVICE, INC. Timothy Sabo ROSHKA, DEWULF & PATTEN PLC 2200 N. Central Ave., Suite 502 20 Phoenix, Arizona 85004 One Arizona Center 400 E. Van Buren, Suite 800 21 Phoenix, AZ 85004 22 Christopher Kempley, Chief Counsel Legal Division 23 ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 1200 West Washington Street 24 Phoenix, AZ 85007 25 Ernest G. Johnson, Director **Utilities Division** 26 ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 1200 West Washington 27 Phoenix, AZ 85007

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